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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
REMARKS/ARGUMENT

This Response is filed in reply to the Restriction Requirement dated December 14, 2007 and in compliance with the requirement to provide an Interview Summary of a telephone interview with the Examiner on December 7, 2007. The substance of the interview is as contained in the Interview Summary sheet attached to Paper No. 20071029 dated December 14, 2007. Namely: "Mr. Max Markovich [sic] contacted Exr. MacArthur to inform her that claims 61-69 were omitted from the restriction requirement mailed 10/31/2007. The examiner has corrected the action and the supplemental is sent herewith".

Applicant elects the invention of Group I, identified as claims 40-50 and 57-67, drawn to a substrate processing apparatus (collection part and abnormality detection part), classified in class 156, subclass 345.24.

Applicant reserves the right to file a divisional application directed to the subject matter covered in the non-elected claims.

Early and favorable consideration of the present application is earnestly solicited.

If this communication is filed after the statutory time period had elapsed and no separate Petition is enclosed, the Commissioner for Patents is petitioned, under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by the number of months

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